GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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POWERS TO MAGISTRATES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is considering to give powers regarding environment related laws to the District Magistrates ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken; and

(d) the extent to which this is likely to improve the situation ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIA.RAJA)

(a) to (d) No such proposal is under consideration. However, some powers are already vested with the District Magistrates/Collectors under the environment related laws including the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991.